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For : **DISTRIBUTED DIGITAL SIGNATURE GENERATION METHOD**
AND **DIGITALLY SIGNED DIGITAL DOCUMENT GENERATION**
METHOD AND APPARATUS

Enclosed are:

1. 1 sheet application title page, 39 sheets of specification, 15 sheets of claims, and 1 sheet of abstract.
2. 13 sheets of drawings.
3. Applicant hereby claims foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-047338, filed February 22, 2001.
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